

UNSATISFACTORY STREET CAR
SERVICE FOR WINCHESTERLively Correspondence Between Mr. F. H. Haggard, City Attorney, and
the Traction Officials.

The street car service rendered Winchester has been so unsatisfactory that there is just now going on a lively correspondence between Mr. T. H. Haggard, city attorney, and the street car officials. Mr. Haggard insists that the contract between the city of Winchester and the Central Kentucky Traction Company be lived up to.

In a conversation with a reporter for The News, Mr. Haggard also called attention to the fact that the paving between the tracks on certain parts of the line was not satisfactory. Under the contract, the Traction Company is to maintain the roadbed between the tracks and on eighteen inches on each side, in good condition. In many places, the paving is broken, in others, it is above the top of the track.

The letters follow:

Letter to Mr. Jouett.

Winchester, Ky., Oct. 17, 1908.
Judge E. S. Jouett, President of Winchester Railway, Light and Ice Company, Winchester, Ky.:
Dear Sir:—I am repeatedly approached by the citizens of Winchester complaining about the street car service in the city. In a conference with the Mayor and some members of the Council, we decided that the proper steps to be taken were, to notify you that unless the cars were run as set out in the contract, the Council would decline to pay any claim that you might have against the city on account of lighting the streets. I know that your claim is, that you have been relieved by the Council from this part of your contract, but my opinion is, and was as you remember at the time you undertook to obtain this relief, that the Council did not have the right to excuse you from that part of your contract, for the reason that the Council was empowered to make the contract by a vote of the people, who were persuaded to vote to pay a big price for the lights in order to get the street car service continuously between the hours of 6:00 a. m. and 9:30 p. m. Therefore I feel that it is my duty to see that it is enforced. When I make complaint to the Interurban Company they claim that they have a contract with you by which you are to run the cars and that they are paying you to do so. Trusting that you will give this matter your attention and deliver the goods according to agreement, I am,

Yours truly,

F. H. HAGGARD,
City Attorney.

Mr. Jouett's Answer.

October 19, 1908.

Mr. F. H. Haggard, City Attorney,
Winchester, Ky.

Dear Sir:—Replying to your recent favor relative to the operation of the street cars will say that the trouble largely has been owing to the fact that the company was installing a new engine for the express purpose of running the day current and the street car system. This is now in and I do not believe there will be any further cause for the complaint. I understand from the management that they fought very hard to have the intermissions as slight as possible but that they were unable to do any better than was done. It is a fact that we are under contract with the Traction Company to furnish the power for operating the street railway but as to any liability under the old contract of course you understand that I differ from you about that.

I trust, however, that there will not be any occasion for our trying out that question. Yours very truly,
E. S. JOUETT.

Letter to Company.

Winchester, Ky., Oct. 23, 1908.
The Central Kentucky Traction Company, Lexington, Ky.

Gentlemen:—At the request of the Mayor and Board of Council of this city I write to call your attention to the fact that the street car service given by you in this city is very unsatisfactory in that the trips are not made as often as you agreed, in fact we have gotten very few more trips than we have promised from you to give us better service.

The car does not run at all between the hours of 12:15 p. m. and 2:00 p. m. and 6:30 p. m. and 8:30 p. m. Please give this matter your attention and let us hear from you before the next regular meeting of the Council, November 6.

Yours truly,
F. H. HAGGARD,
City Attorney.

Reply of Company.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 26, 1908.

F. H. Haggard, Esq. City Attorney,
Winchester, Ky.

My Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your favor of October 23rd, and in reply would say that your letter comes as a surprise to us. We have had time-tables printed, showing the hours and time that trips are to be made, and if this time table is not lived up to, we certainly want to know it. It is our earnest desire to give the people of Winchester the best possible service, under the conditions, and if you desire to have us present at the next Council meeting, we will be glad to come. I have asked Mr. Hackett to confer with you on this matter and if you and Mr. Hackett think it advisable for our Superintendent of Railways to come up we will be glad to have him do so. In addition, we will send some of our mechanical force up to Winchester in the course of a few days to make any necessary repairs to car.

Very truly yours,
J. B. CRAWFORD,
General Manager.

Last Letter of Series.

Winchester, Ky., Oct. 28, 1908.
Central Kentucky Traction Company,
Lexington, Kentucky:

Gentlemen:—I am in receipt of your favor of the 26, with reference to the street car service in this city in which you express your surprise at my statement that the service here is very unsatisfactory. In reply will say, that I want to express my surprise that your company should put on such rolling stock and render such service as this city has been getting after entering into the contract that you have with the city. Under your contract you were to have put two new cars on service in this city something like two years ago, but instead you have shipped old cars here and they have been used, giving us a very bum service. You say you will send your mechanical force here to make necessary repairs—it will be unnecessary to do this for the old cars are beyond repair and the people have made up their mind not to stand for the continued violation of your contract in this manner. We want to impress upon you now that the best thing to do will be to send new cars here for the service and I hardly think it necessary for you to appear before the Council until the cars are on the service. Under your last arrangement with the Council you were to make a round trip every 17 minutes between the hours of 6:30 a. m. and 9:30 p. m. I am,

Yours truly,
F. H. HAGGARD,
City Attorney.ACCIDENTLY SHOOTS
SMALL CHILDRENShot Gun is Discharged by Unknown
Person—No one Seriously
Hurt.

Three colored children between the ages of six and eight years were accidentally shot yesterday afternoon in Mary Bells alley. The children were sitting down on a log, in the alley, when some one in a vacant lot in the rear of where they were sitting, fired a shot gun.

Each received part of its contents, but neither is seriously hurt. One of them was shot in the face and the other two were shot in the body.

The police have been working on the case ever since it happened, but are unable to find out who fired the shot. They are of the opinion that they were accidentally shot by some boys who were shooting at birds in the neighborhood.



THE MOST INFLUENTIAL WOMAN IN ASIA.

Tsi An, dowager empress of China, is not only the most active power in the empire, but is undoubtedly the most potent female influence in the orient. In spite of her advanced age this remarkable woman is still the real authority in the empire, her son, the reigning emperor, being dominated by his strong minded and capable mother.

8 GIRLS JUMP
FROM BUILDINGFire Threatens One of Great Buildings
in Cincinnati—Many
Are Injured.

Special to The News.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 29.—A big fire is threatening one of Cincinnati's sky scrapers right in the heart of city. Eight girls have been injured, several seriously by jumping from the windows to escape the flames in the eleventh story of the Neave building. One fireman has also been seriously injured. The flames so far have been confined to the sixth floor.

REGISTRATION
SHOWS INCREASE1811 Voters Are Now on the Books—
133 More Than Last
Year.

The total registration last year was 1678. On the regular registration day this year, 1688 names were recorded. At the close of the supplemental registration, Wednesday evening, 123 names were added, making a total of 1811.

The vote is divided as follows:
Republicans 895
Democrats 877
All others 39
Total 1811

TWENTY-THREE
ARE DROWNEDEntire Crew of Freight Steamer,
Yarmouth, Lost in English
Channel.

Special to The News.

LONDON, Oct. 29.—The freight steamer, Countess of Yarmouth, foundered while crossing the English channel last night. The crew of twenty-three perished. Most of the bodies have been recovered.

Miss Kate Boone, of Lexington, but formerly of this city, has accepted a position as stenographer with R. G. Elliott, Grand Secretary, I. O. O. F.

The impossible.
Nothing can be put, as it were, into a vessel vacuum.—Marlowe.

ESTIMATES ON THE
CONGRESSIONAL RACEProminent Democrat and Republican
Figure on the Tenth Dis-
trict.

A prominent Democrat of this city has undertaken to get from most reliable sources what the vote will be in each county in the tenth Congressional District in the race between the Hon. Amos Davis and the Hon. John W. Langley for Congress. The report received by him shows that the estimated majorities will be as follows:

Davis.

Clark	600
Elliott	450
Floyd	300
Knott	500
Menifee	350
Montgomery	150
Morgan	700
Powell	80
Wolfe	300
Total	3480

Langley.

Magoffin	450
Martin	550
Lee	250
Breathitt	150
Pike	500
Johnson	1000
Estill	400
Total	3300

Republican Estimate.

The News asked a leading Republican also to furnish an estimate of the result as seen from the Republican side. It is as follows:

Davis.

Clark	600
Elliott	500
Floyd	250
Knott	500
Menifee	250
Montgomery	100
Morgan	700
Powell	50
Wolfe	250
Total	3200

Langley.

Magoffin	600
Martin	700
Lee	350
Breathitt	200
Pike	900
Johnson	1150
Estill	450
Total	4350

LECTURER NOT HERE.

Hon. Edwin Smith, of Nova Scotia, who was to lecture at the Court House Wednesday night under the auspices of the local society of the W. C. T. U., failed to arrive. The series of lectures that he is to give was to begin Wednesday night but he has not arrived and just when he will arrive is not known.

SAYS BRYAN IS
IN THE RIGHTDavid B. Hill Presents Candidate to
Audience—Thinks Change
Due.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 29.—The feature of William Jennings Bryan's tour up state was the appearance on the platform here of Former United States Senator David B. Hill. It was the first time in several years that Mr. Hill had attended such a gathering, so that when he stepped forward as chairman to introduce Democracy's leader, the great crowd which packed the hall where the meeting was held rose and wildly cheered.

"Although not connected with politics," said Mr. Hill, "I reiterate that I am heartily in favor of the election of the Democratic national and state tickets. I am not so partisan, however, that I would support the party whether right or wrong, but permit me to say that I support the national ticket in this campaign because in my judgment our presidential candidate, who honors us with his presence, is absolutely right upon every contested question in this campaign. I am for him because I sincerely believe the best interests of the country will be subserved by his election. It is time for a change in the administration of the government, a change of measures and of men. Our candidate owes the nomination not to any one man or any set of men, but only the people themselves. If elected, he will be the president himself and not a dummy for any man. He will not be led around with a string like a great big caged bear."

The Democratic candidate received an ovation as he rose to speak. He was cheered to the echo and the large audience reluctantly obeyed his gesture to them to become quiet. He expressed his appreciation of the cordial welcome he had received "in the capital of our nation's greatest state," and replied to Mr. Hill by saying:

"I appreciate the more than generous words employed by Senator Hill in presenting me to you. One of the pleasures of this campaign is the element that manifests itself in the Democratic party. As the candidate for president I have behind me a united Democracy, and in front of me a scared Republican party." He declared that the Democratic party was full of fight while the Republican party was full of fright. "I believe," he continued, "that we are going to win a great victory, and, my friends, I am glad that Senator Hill, the hero of so many battlefields, is fighting by my side, prepared to share with me the joys of a Democratic triumph. This victory would be incomplete if it were a sectional victory. But I believe that this victory is going to be won by the co-operation of the east and the west, the north and the south, and that it will cement the Democratic party as a fighting force."

In the course of the day Mr. Bryan made speeches at Hastings-on-the-Hudson, Tarrytown, Ossining, Peekskill, Cold Springs, Fishkill, Poughkeepsie, Rhinecliff, Hudson, Rensselaer, Schenectady and Troy. Everywhere along the line of travel immense crowds turned out in the rain to hear him. He frequently left the train to make speeches. His reception at Schenectady was notable. Two of his three speeches were made in the open to employees of the locomotive works and the General Electric company, who, notwithstanding the drenching they got, stayed throughout his speech, often interrupting it with cheers of approval. He told them the tide was fast turning with the Democratic party and that reports from all over the country indicated a big Democratic victory.

Decapitated by Hot Wire.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 29.—Erick Els was decapitated at the American Steel and Wire company mills. Els was a wire-drawer. While drawing the red-hot wire it broke. The end struck him about the neck and the wire, released from tension, suddenly coiled about his neck. His neck was burned through in a few seconds by the hot wire, completely severing his head from his body.

Jubilee Service Ends Convention.
Denver, Colo., Oct. 29.—The thirty-fifth annual convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance union came to an end with a general jubilee, in which all the states represented took part by reporting the great gains in membership made during the year. It was announced that a gain of 20,000 in membership had been made.

Fort Keogh Abandoned.

St. Paul, Oct. 29.—Orders for the final abandonment by the military authorities of Fort Keogh, Montana, were issued by General Edgerly, commander of the department of Dakota.

TAFT IS GIVEN
A BIG OVATIONCrowd Cheers For Nineteen Minutes
—Thousands in the
Parade.

New York, Oct. 29.—The Republican campaign in New York city reached its climax when William H. Taft, presidential candidate, and Charles E. Hughes, candidate for governor, spoke from the same platform at Madison Square Garden to an audience that filled the enormous amphitheater. Their appearance at Madison Square Garden came at the end of a day which, from a political viewpoint, was most remarkable. During the day Mr. Taft spoke at 14 meetings and Governor Hughes spoke 15 times. Then, while the Madison Square meeting was in progress, a giant parade was wending its way in a downpour of rain down through the heart of the city. These were only the main features of the day.

Hours before the doors of the garden were thrown open long lines of ticket holders had formed. There is no other structure in New York which can hold such a big audience as Madison Square Garden, but it soon became apparent to the police that it would not have space enough for the hundreds gathered outside.

At 7 o'clock a heavy rain set in and it was thought the crowd would dwindle, but this was a mistake. The streets for blocks around were alive with umbrellas, and few persons deserted the waiting throngs. Excellent police regulations prevented any unseemly crowding when the doors were opened, shortly after the rain began to fall. By 8 o'clock the police had to bar all except reserved seat ticket holders.

While waiting for the arrival of Judge Taft, speeches were made by General Porter, chairman of the meeting; Senator Lodge, Secretary Straus and Governor Hughes.

The Republican presidential candidate reached the garden at 11:02 and instantly the audience was on its feet cheering. The band played the "Star Spangled Banner" and hundreds of flags waved. At the end of 10 minutes the cheering changed to shouts of "Taft, Taft, Big Bill Taft." A corps of ushers entered the hall from under the platform bearing huge portraits of Taft, Sherman and Hughes. At the expiration of 15 minutes the band began playing "What you goin' to do when the rent comes 'round," but the shouting of "Taft, Taft, Big Bill Taft," drowned the music. At the end of 19 minutes of tumult General Porter made himself heard and introduced Judge Taft.

Two Servants Die by Poison.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 29.—Death by poison of two servants in the home of the Rev. Carter Helm Jones, pastor of the Baptist church here, and formerly of Louisville, Ky., has started an investigation to determine whether the poison was meant for the minister by persons in Lynchburg, Va., who objected to his marriage to a woman of the Methodist church. Dr. Jones says he does not believe the poison was meant for him. Edward and Laura Davis, servants in the household of Dr. Jones, were found dead. Beside them was found a bottle of whisky and a bottle of blackberry brandy. The brandy had been brought by Dr. Jones' family from Virginia.

For Sane Celebrations.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Incorporation papers for the "Sane Fourth association" were asked for by Marquis Eaton, president of the Hamilton club, and other citizens of Chicago. The objects of the new organization, it is stated, are to aid in the enforcement of all laws designed to reduce the number of accidents incident to present methods of celebration; to give organized expression to sentiment in favor of a "safe and sane Fourth of July," and to endeavor to secure such a type of celebration as shall best promote true patriotism.

Mathewson On the Stump.

New York, Oct. 29.—"Christy" Mathewson, the famous pitcher of the New York National league team, was one of the speakers at a Democratic mass meeting in the Twenty-third assembly district. John J. Hays, winner of the Marathon race at London, and a number of other members of the American Olympic team, occupied seats on the platform.

Russian Duma Convenes.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 29.—The autumn session of the third Russian duma was opened here. The fact that this is the first time a Russian parliament has come to its second session gives much satisfaction and raises the hope that the present duma will be of far greater service to the country than was either the first or the second.